



# Foreign Affairs Manual

## 16 FAM – Medical Program

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### Changes

1. With this Change Transmittal, the Office of Medical Services (M/MED) issues Volume 16 of the Foreign Affairs Manual, Medical Program. The material in this new FAM volume covers the Medical Program and medical services formerly found in 3 FAM 1900, Medical and Health Program. The purpose of the new volume is to bring all of the Department of State's medical regulations together to assist staff and clients of the Department and participating foreign affairs agencies in accessing and understanding various aspects of the Medical Program. Concurrent with the issuance of this transmittal is the issuance of a change transmittal for 3 FAM (CT:PER-530) that removes the medical regulations from that FAM volume.
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4. Officers are reminded that Department-issued materials not codified in the Foreign Affairs Manual or its supplemental Foreign Affairs Handbook series generally have no regulatory validity (see 2 FAM 1115.2).

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